



# TOWN OF KITTY HAWK

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## Manager's Newsletter

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## Town Council Approves FY 2011-12 Budget

On June 6, 2011, the Town Council approved the FY 2011-2012 budget. The budget year will commence July 1, 2011. The \$5.8 million budget will provide for continued services for the Town without an increase in the tax rate. The tax rate will remain at \$0.18 per \$100 valuation. The proposed budget is a decrease of \$584,062 from last year's budget. A reduction in revenues is attributed to the decrease in the budget for FY 2011-2012.

At the regularly scheduled Council meeting on June 6<sup>th</sup>, the Town Manager told the Council that in order to balance the budget, transfers of \$510,426 from the Town's General Fund Balance and \$12,500 from the Powell Bill Fund are required to balance the budget. Even with a decrease in the revenues for the upcoming fiscal year, the departments in the town government will be able to make essential capital expenditures such as replacement of police cars, continue the annual asphalt overlay program, upgrade the department computers, purchase equipment in the Fire Department, and be able to set aside capital reserve funds for the purchase of a new engine in the Fire Department.

One of the major changes to the budget is the establishment of an emergency fund to replace the minimum fund balance of 70% of the prior year expenditures. For the upcoming fiscal year, the Town will have \$3.5 million in reserve for such things as a hurricane or Nor'easter.

Persons interested in viewing the budget will be able to do so by accessing the Town's web site as of July 1<sup>st</sup>.

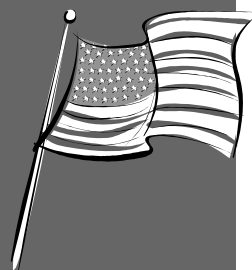
## Town Calendar and Reminders

**Town Offices Closed—Monday, July 4**

**Town Council Meeting—Tuesday, July 5, 6:00 pm**

**Council Meeting Aired on Government Access—Channel 20**  
Thursday, July 7 and Sunday, June 10 at 1:00 and 7:00 pm

**Planning Board Meeting—Thursday, July 14, 6:00 pm**



## Plan For Your Pets During an Emergency

### Keep Your Pets Safe!



- ✓ **Food:** Keep at least three days of food in an airtight, waterproof container.
- ✓ **Water:** Store at least three days of water specifically for your pets, in addition to water you need for yourself and your family.
- ✓ **Medicines and medical records:** Keep an extra supply of medicines your pet takes on a regular basis in a waterproof container.
- ✓ **First aid kit:** Talk to your veterinarian about what is most appropriate for your pet's emergency medical needs. Most kits should include cotton bandage rolls, bandage tape and scissors; antibiotic ointment; flea and tick prevention; latex gloves, isopropyl alcohol and saline solution. Include a pet first aid reference book.
- ✓ **Collar with ID tag, harness or leash:** Your pet should wear a collar with its rabies tag and identification at all times. Include a backup leash, collar and ID tag in your pet's emergency supply kit.
- ✓ **Important documents:** Place copies of your pet's registration information, adoption papers, vaccination documents and medical records in a clean plastic bag or waterproof container and also add them to your kit.
- ✓ **Crate or other pet carrier:** If you need to evacuate in an emergency situation take your pets and animals with you, provided that it is practical to do so.
- ✓ **Sanitation:** Include pet litter and litter box if appropriate, newspapers, paper towels, plastic trash bags and household chlorine bleach to provide for your pet's sanitation needs. You can use bleach as a disinfectant (dilute nine parts water to one part bleach), or in an emergency you can also use it to purify water. Use 8 drops of regular household liquid bleach per gallon of water, stir well and let it stand for 30 minutes before use. Do not use scented or color safe bleaches or those with added cleaners.
- ✓ **A picture of you and your pet together:** If you become separated from your pet during an emergency, a picture of you and your pet together will help you document ownership and allow others to assist you in identifying your pet. Include detailed information about species, breed, age, sex, color and distinguishing characteristics.
- ✓ **Familiar items:** Put favorite toys, treats or bedding in your kit. Familiar items can help reduce stress for your pet.

**Consider two kits.** In one, put everything your pets will need to stay where you are and make it on your own. The other should be a lightweight, smaller version you can take with you if you and your pets have to get away.

*Information from ready.gov or call 1-800-BE-READY*

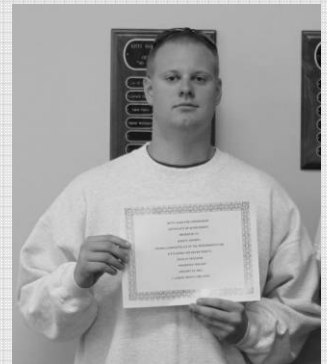
Safe Pet Kits are Provided by the Outer Banks SPCA and available at Town Hall.

## Thank You for Supporting our Golf Tournament

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department would like to extend a thank you to everyone who participated in our sixth annual Golf Tournament at Sea Scape Golf Links on June 4, 2011. Thank you to everyone who played in the tournament, bought raffle tickets, and attended the dinner. Thank you to our local area businesses that supported us by sponsoring teams and golf holes and donating raffle prizes. Thank you to the staff at Sea Scape, especially Danny Miller and Jim Geraghty, for all of your help with organizing the festivities. Thank you to Barefoot Bernie's and Ocean Atlantic Rentals for your generous financial support. The tournament was a huge success, and we look forward to next year. Hope to see you there!

### Jesse R. McNeill, Certified Firefighter, Level I and II

**Congratulations to Jesse R. McNeill, a Kitty Hawk Volunteer Firefighter,** who graduated from the Dare County Fire Academy on May 27, 2011, as a NC State Certified Firefighter, Level I and II. Jesse joined the department in May, 2010, and has been an active member while attending the Fire Academy.



## Chaplain Needed

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department is in need of a Chaplain. If anyone in the community would be willing to serve as our Chaplain on an interim basis, please contact Chief Lowell Spivey, 261-2666. Thank you.

## Calls for Emergency Service – May 2011

During the month of May 2011, there were 40 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Accident, potential accident, other	1
Bomb scare – no bomb	1
Dispatched and canceled en-route	1
Hazardous condition, other	1
Medical Calls	30
Public Service	1
Surf Rescue	1
Vehicle accident with injuries	3
Watercraft rescue	1

## Planning Board Meeting Summary

At its meeting on June 16<sup>th</sup>, the Kitty Hawk Planning Board considered a couple of changes to the Town Code.

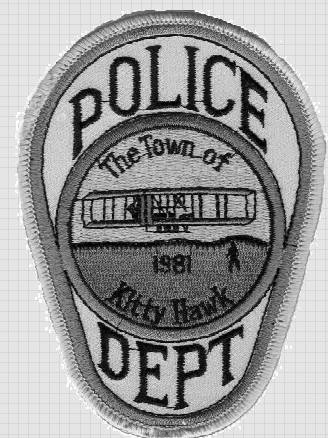
First, the Board members considered an amendment to the Town's flood damage prevention ordinance that would permit the construction of storage buildings within a VE flood zone. Planning & Inspections Department staff recently found this provision while researching the issue for a property owner and brought it to the attention of the Board. As the provision would provide greater flexibility for property owners in VE flood zones, the Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend the addition of standards allowing storage buildings in a VE flood zone to Town Council.

Secondly, the Planning Board discussed a potential text amendment that would allow home occupations in the Kitty Hawk Woods (KHW) zoning district. Again, this issue was identified as Planning & Inspections Department staff was working with a local property owner. The KHW zoning district includes most of the Kitty Hawk Woods Coastal Reserve as well as over 30 surrounding residential properties. The KHW district was created to encourage development that is compatible with the environmentally sensitive nature of Kitty Hawk Woods and mainly permits low density residential development. The purpose and intent of a home occupation is to allow a low intensity business use on a small portion of a residential property that does not alter the residential character of the property or the surrounding neighborhood. Home occupations are specifically permitted as conditional uses in all other residential zoning districts of the Town. After discussing the issue, the Board members voted unanimously to recommend that home occupations be permitted, under the same conditions as other residential districts, in the Kitty Hawk Woods (KHW) zoning district.

At the Board meeting, Chairman Oscar Northen also recognized recent Planning Board appointees Lynne McClean and John Richeson, who will begin serving their terms in July.

## Police Department Activities for May 2011:

Calls for Service:	675
Criminal Investigations Initiated:	30
Traffic Accidents Investigated:	19
Residence Checks	62
Business Checks:	222
Foot Patrol:	39
Request for Mutual Aid from other Departments:	6
Citations Issued:	108
Warnings Issued:	114
Arrests:	25



## **TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES RESOLUTION OPPOSING HB 635 OR ANY LEGISLATION CHANGING THE CURRENT TRANSPORTATION FUNDING EQUITY FORMULA**

After attending a recent meeting at the Albemarle Rural Transportation Planning Organization, the Town Manager proposed a resolution to the Town Council at the recent June 6th meeting, asking the state legislature to continue with the same equity formula for the distribution of transportation dollars that was established in 1989 as a part of the Highway Trust Fund.

The Town Manager was particularly concerned about the formula for the distribution of funds for secondary road improvements and the Powell Bill Funds. Any change to the existing formula would place more emphasis on population and less on the intrastate road improvements, whereby affecting the counties of Eastern North Carolina.

It is a well known fact that the metropolitan areas of the state already receive more money through the Equity Formula than the rural divisions because half of the money is allocated per capita. It is the intent of the resolution to help Eastern North Carolina continue with its much needed road improvements

### **June 26—30th On the Road, Off the Phone Week**

Driving is a risky activity. Each year, about 40,000 people are killed in motor vehicle crashes and more than 3 million people are injured. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that driver distraction is involved in 16 percent of fatal crashes. The National Safety Council estimates that 25 percent of all crashes are due to talking on cell phones while driving and another 3 percent are due to texting.



#### **Before You Drive**

- ♦ Develop a habit of turning off your cell phone when you get in your vehicle, and turning it back on when you are done driving. If you can't turn your phone off, put it on vibrate or silent mode.
- ♦ Put your cell phone in your trunk to avoid temptation. Record a voice mail greeting telling callers it is not safe to make calls while driving, and you will return their call as soon as you are able.
- ♦ If you spend a lot of time on the road, organize your route and schedule to allow time to make and return phone calls from the parking lot of one location before leaving to drive to the next one.

#### **While You Drive**

- ♦ Do not make or answer cell phone calls, even with hands-free and voice recognition devices. If you must make an emergency call, leave the road and park in a safe area.
- ♦ Do not send or read text messages or e-mail.
- ♦ If you are driving with a passenger, allow them to operate the phone.
- ♦ Let someone else drive so that you can freely make or receive calls.
- ♦ Enjoy cell phone-free driving; focus on the road. Protect your life and those around you.

***Kitty Hawk Fire Department is  
Recruiting Volunteers  
Incentives Available  
Call 252-261-2666 for more  
information.***



The Town of Kitty Hawk's newsletter is prepared two times per month and sent electronically to anyone who wants to receive it. Paper copies of the newsletter are available at Town Hall. The newsletter does not present or represent opinions of the Town Council.

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